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Attorney Docket No.	4424 C1
First Inventor	Charles S. Vann et al.
Title	Bead Dispensing System
Express Mail Label No.	EL 897 624 445 US

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06/24/03**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 53]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 20]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]
 - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
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15. ☐ Certified copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Certified Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☒ Other: Rule 53(b) Request Letter

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 10/211,131 filed August 2, 2002

Prior application information:

Examiner: unknownGroup Art Unit: 1743**For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only:** The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.**19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**☒ Customer Number or Bar Code Labelor ☐ Correspondence address below

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Application Number	to be assigned
Filing Date	June 24, 2003 (herewith)
First Named Inventor	Charles S. Vann et al.
Examiner Name	to be assigned
Group Art Unit	to be assigned
Attorney Docket No.	4424 C1

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1002 330	2002 165	Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260	Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid	
14	-20** = 0	X	0	
Independent Claims	2	-3** = 0	X	0
Multiple Dependent			0	

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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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1812 2520	1812 2520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 410	2252 205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 930	2253 465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1450	2254 725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
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1401 320	2401 160	Notice of Appeal	
1402 320	2402 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 280	2403 140	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1510	1451 1510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1300	2453 650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1300	2501 650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 470	2502 235	Design issue fee	
1503 630	2503 315	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
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1810 750	2810 375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 750	2801 375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
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Docket No. 4424C1

**Transmittal of Continuation Patent Application
For Filing Under 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

PRIOR APPLICATION: Examiner: Unknown Art Unit: 1743

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application serial no. 10/211,131 filed on August 2, 2002 by Charles S. Vann and Dennis Lehto entitled

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1. Enclosed are:
 - ☒ One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO datestamp.
 - ☒ Certificate of Express Mail.
 - ☒ One utility patent application containing text pages 1-53 and ☒ 20 sheets of ☒ formal ☐ informal drawings.
 - ☒ Application Data Sheet.
 - ☒ Copy of executed Declaration of Inventorship from grandparent application serial no. 09/506,870.
 - ☐ Sequence Listing printout, Request to Use from prior application, and matching Declaration.
 - ☒ A Preliminary Amendment.
 - ☐ A new Power of Attorney.
2. Amendment
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 - ☒ Please cancel original claims 1-50, inclusive, before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim should be retained for filing purposes.)
 - ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
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 - ☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing *if* required to establish copendency with the parent after all papers filed herewith have been considered.
4. Prior Documents Still in Effect

☒ This application claims priority to application Serial Nos. 10/211,131 filed August 2, 2002, 09/506,870 filed February 15, 2000, 09/250,697 filed February 16, 1999, all of which are assigned of record to Applera Corporation.

☒ Power of attorney in the above-identified prior application is to Michael K. Jones, Reg. No. 41,100.

5. Fees

The filing fee is calculated below taking into account any amendments in section 2 above:

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TOTAL CLAIMS	14 - 20	0	X \$18	0
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	Multiple Dependency Fee If Applicable \$280.00			
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	TOTAL FILING FEE			\$750.00

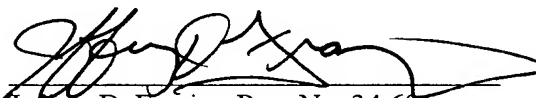
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Respectfully submitted,

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